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H. Clyde Davis 2454 North Timpview Drive Provo, Utah 84604

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you for your visit to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining today inquiring if a permit is required to use a front-end loader/backhoe to dig a few test holes to determine a mineral deposit.

Use of mechanized equipment does require a permit be obtained from this Division, regardless of the land ownership. You have informed us that the project will be conducted on private patented lands.

I have enclosed a Notice of Intention to Conduct Exploration Activities form (MR-EXP) for this use. As you have been informed, a reclamation surety bond is required. The minimum bond is \$5,000 for disturbance of up to one acre, and \$3,000 for each additional acre over one. A \$150.00 annual permit fee is also required to be submitted with the notice.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Paul Baker at the Division (801) 538-5261. Mr. Baker is the inspector in the Green River area.

Sincerely,

Jule Burns

Joelle Burns

Engineering Tech

